CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
JULY 19, 2022 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

INVOCATION
Glenn Morris of the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Soto led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Patino announced that Councilmember Cordero would participate in the meeting remotely via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino convened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
Councilmember Cordero (via Zoom), Councilmember Escobedo, Councilmember Soto, Councilmember Waterfield, and Mayor Patino

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
Assistant City Manager Andrew Hackleman, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Interim Director of Public Works Brett Fulgoni, Director of Finance Mary Harvey, Interim Library Director Dawn Jackson, Chief Human Resources Officer Linda Le (via Zoom), Chief Information Officer Jeffrey Marecic, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Alex Posada (via Zoom), Chief of Police Marc Schneider, Director of Utilities Shad Springer, Fire Chief Todd Tuggle, Chief Deputy City Clerk Rhonda White, and Business Program Leader I Alexandra Valadez

1 PROCLAMATIONS

A. **BUSINESSES OF THE MONTH.** Glenn Morris, CEO of the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce, and Councilmember Soto presented a certificate of recognition to the Featured Businesses of the Month for July 2022 - Central Coast Packaging Services and That's FETCH. The certificates were accepted by Paul Carlotti and Linda Greco, respectively.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
A written communication was received from Isabel Ontiveros expressing concerns about the building of a transitional center on Benwiley Avenue and problems with over-crowding in the neighborhood and depreciation of property values.

Gary Hall, Eileen Armijo, and Esther Jensen spoke about the urgency of mobile home rent stabilization.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR
Consent Calendar Items 3A-3F were approved as presented, including the adoption of Resolution Nos. 2022-73, 2022-74, 2022-75, 2022-76, and 2022-77. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Readings waived.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Soto.
Motion carried. 5-0.

B. Approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 21, 2022.

Action: Minutes approved as submitted.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Soto.
Motion carried. 5-0.

C. That the City Council adopt Resolutions approving Operating Agreements with:
1. Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) for Economic Development Services and Visitors and Convention Bureau Services; and
2. Santa Maria Valley Historical Society and Museum (Historical Society); and
3. United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County (Home for Good); and
4. Santa Maria Valley Museum of Flight (Museum of Flight).

Action: Operating Agreements were approved for the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce, Santa Maria Valley Historical Society and Museum, United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County, and Santa Maria Valley Museum of Flight.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Soto.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution Nos. 2022-73, 2022-74, 2022-75, and 2022-76, respectively. 5-0.

D. Adopt a Resolution continuing the extension of the City's ability to conduct meetings of the City Council and City Boards, Commissions, and Committees partially or completely remotely by using a combination of in-person/virtual (hybrid) platforms as authorized by Government Code § 54953(e)(1)(A) to promote social distancing, prioritize the Public's Health and Wellbeing under Santa Barbara County Health Officer Orders, and provide flexibility as needed to facilitate continuity of government.

Action: Extension granted for 30 days to continue hybrid or virtual meeting platform options for the City Council and all City Boards, Commissions, and Committees.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Soto.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2022-77. 5-0.

E. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Warrants ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Soto.
Motion carried. 5-0.

F. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Payroll ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Soto.
Motion carried. 5-0.

4 APPOINTMENTS

A. Chief Deputy City Clerk White gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The City Council considered appointments to the *Block Grants Advisory Committee*, the *Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens - Area Agency on Agency,* the *Library Board of Trustees,* and the *Santa Barbara County Library Advisory Committee.*

Block Grants Advisory Committee
Mayor Patino and each Councilmember considered appointments for a term of three years each ending in July 2025.

Incumbents: Rosalie Marquez (Cordero), Tim Seifert (Patino), Jason Tamura (former Councilmember Moats)
New Applicants: Blanca Mieja, Hugo Canton

Councilmember Cordero nominated Rosalie Marquez. Councilmember Escobedo nominated Jason Tamura. Mayor Patino nominated Tim Seifert.

Councilmembers Soto and Waterfield asked to postpone their nominations to a later date. Chief Deputy Clerk White indicated that staff would continue to advertise the two vacancies and present the applicants at a later date.

Action: Mayor Patino accepted the nominations of Councilmembers. Rosalie Marquez, Tim Seifert, and Jason Tamura were reappointed to the Block Grants Advisory Committee for terms ending in July 2025.
Moved by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield.
Motion carried. 5-0.

Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens - Area Agency on Aging
Mayor Patino considered one appointment for a term of two years.

New Applicant: Nancy Crawford

Mayor Patino indicated that while Ms. Crawford lived outside the boundaries of the City, her skills, education, and background were well suited for the regional Board that provide services to seniors in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties, and therefore would override the Council Policy of only appointing City residents.

Action: Nancy Crawford was appointed to the Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens - Area Agency on Aging for a term of two years ending in June 2024.
Moved by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo.
Motion carried. 5-0.

Library Board of Trustees
Mayor Patino considered two appointments for a term of three years ending in July 2025 and one to complete an unexpired term ending in July 2024.

Incumbents: Charlie Baker-Boyd and Helen Galvan
New Applicants: Randy Jackson, Hunter Jameson, and Julie Weaver

Action: Charlie Baker-Boyd and Helen Galvan were reappointed to serve terms ending in July 2025; and Hunter Jameson was appointed to fill the unexpired term ending in July 2024
Moved by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield.
Motion carried. 5-0.

Santa Barbara County Library Advisory Committee
Mayor Patino considered one appointment for a term of one year ending in July 2023.

Incumbent: Betty Gunn
New Applicants: None

Action: Betty Gunn was reappointed to serve a term ending in July 2023.
Moved by Mayor Patino, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield.
Motion carried. 5-0.

5 PUBLIC HEARING

A. **SUNSET RECYCLING CORP BUYBACK RECYCLING FACILITY AT 1465 SOUTH BROADWAY.** The City Council considered an appeal of the Planning Commission's decision to deny a Planned Development Permit (PD2021-0009) and Conditional Use Permit (U2021-0005) for Sunset Recycling to establish a buyback recycling facility for California Redemption Value (CRV) beverage containers on a 19.62-acre site in a PD/C-1 (Planned Development/Central Business) district of the Entrada Este Specific Plan. Director of Community Development Ng gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

At its regular meeting of March 16, 2022, the Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 2807 denying a Planned Development Permit (PD2021-0009) and Conditional Use Permit (U2021-0005) for Sunset Recycling by vote of 3-1 (Noe: Commissioner Seifert; Absent: Commissioner Hernandez).

After the distribution of the agenda on July 15, 2022, to the City Council received Agenda-related writings/documentation which was also posted to the agenda on July 18, 2022.

Brian Jackson gave a brief presentation on behalf of the Appellant, Artash Balyan of Sunset Recycling Corporation.

Public Input
Mayor Patino opened the public hearing at 6:20 p.m. and, having no requests to speak, immediately closed the public hearing.

Action: Adopt a Resolution denying the appeal and affirm the decision made by the Planning Commission to deny a Planned Development Permit (PD2021-0009) and Conditional Use Permit (U2021-0005) for Sunset Recycling Corp. to establish a buyback recycling facility on the parking lot of the Santa Maria Shopping Center located at 1465 South Broadway.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2022-78. 5-0.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

Assistant City Manager Hackleman reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be August 2, 2022. Items on the agenda would include an update and presentation from Community Partners and another appeal is anticipated.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)

Councilmembers Escobedo, Soto, and Waterfield had no AB1234 reports.

Councilmember Cordero reported that he attended Ben Heighes Show, Santa Barbara County Economic Forecast, and the CommUnify Board Meeting.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended Ben Heighes Show, Marian Board of Directors meeting, Filipino Association Anniversary, West Coast Kustoms Recap, Special SBCAG Board Meeting, Project Opioid Meeting, Forum to address Homelessness, Pioneer Picnic, Sports Exhibit – Santa Maria Elks Club, Local Infrastructure Hub, North County Subregional Planning Committee, and Relay for Life.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned in memory of Cynthia Schur at 6:29 p.m.

Approved at a regular meeting on August 2, 2022.

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

8/5/2022

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria